

# LOV

The banish'd never hopes his *love* to see.  
The lover and the *love* of human kind. Dryden.  
7. Lewdness.  
He is not lolling on a lewd *love* bed,  
But on his knees at meditation. Shaksp. Rich. III.  
8. Unreasonable liking.  
The *love* to sin makes a man sin against his own reason.  
Men in *love* with their opinions may not only suppose  
what is in question, but allege wrong matter of fact. Locke.  
9. Fondness; concord.  
Come *love* and health to all!  
Then I'll sit down: give me some wine; fill full. Shak.  
Shall I come unto you with a rod, or in *love*, and in the  
spirit of meekness? 1 Cor. iv. 21.  
10. Principle of union.  
*Love* is the great instrument of nature, the bond and cement  
of society, the spirit and spring of the universe: *love* is  
such an affection as cannot so properly be said to be in the  
soul, as the soul to be in that: it is the whole man wrapt  
up into one desire. South's Sermons.  
11. Picturelike representation of love.  
The lovely babe was born with ev'ry grace:  
Such was his form as painters, when they show  
Their utmost art, on naked *loves* below. Dryden's Ovid.  
12. A word of endearment.  
'Tis no dishonour, trust me, *love*, 'tis none;  
I would die for thee. Dryden's Don Sebastian.  
13. Due reverence to God.  
I know that you have not the *love* of God in you. John.  
*Love* is of two sorts, of friendship and of desire; the one  
betwixt friends, the other betwixt lovers; the one a rational,  
the other a sensitive *love*: so our *love* of God consists of two  
parts, as esteeming of God, and desiring of him. Hammond.  
The *love* of God makes a man chaste without the labo-  
rious arts of fasting, and exterior disciplines; he reaches at  
glory without any other arms but those of *love*. Taylor.  
14. A kind of thin silk stuff.  
This leaf held near the eye, and obverted to the light,  
appeared so full of pores, with such a transparency as that of  
a sieve, a piece of cyprus, or *lovehead*. Boyle on Colours.  
LOVEAPPLE. *n. f.*  
The *loveapple* has a flower consisting of one leaf, which  
expands in a circular order; the style afterwards becomes a  
roundish, soft, fleshy fruit, divided into several cells, which  
contain many flat seeds. Millar.  
LOVEKNOT. *n. f.* [*love* and *knot*.] A complicated figure, by  
which affection interchanged is figured.  
LOVELETTER. *n. f.* [*love* and *letter*.] Letter of courtship.  
The children are educated in the different notions of their  
parents: the sons follow the father, while the daughters read  
*loveletters* and romances to their mother. Addison's Spect.  
LOVELLY. *adv.* [*love* and *lovely*.] Amiable; in such a manner  
as to excite love.  
Thou look'st  
Lovely dreadful.  
Orway's Venice Preserv'd.  
LOVELINESS. *n. f.* [*from lovely*.] Amiableness; qualities of  
mind or body that excite love.  
Carrying thus in one person the only two bands of good-  
will, *loveliness* and *lovingness*. Sidney, b. i.  
When I approach  
Her *loveliness*, so absolute she seems,  
That what she wills to do, or say,  
Seems wisest, virtuous, best, discreet, best. Milt. Pa. Lost.  
If there is such a native *loveliness* in the sex, as to make  
them victorious when they are in the wrong, how restless  
is their power when they are on the side of truth? Addison.  
LOVELORN. *adj.* [*love* and *lorn*.] Forsaken of one's love.  
The *love-lorn* nightingale,  
Nightly to thee her sad long mourneth well. Milton.  
LOVELY. *adj.* [*from love*.] Amiable; exciting love.  
The breast of Hecuba,  
When she did suckle Hector, look'd not *lovelier*  
Than Hector's forehead. Shaksp. Coriolanus.  
Saul and Jonathan were *lovely* and pleasant in their lives,  
and in their death they were not divided. 2 Sam. i. 23.  
The flowers which it had press'd  
Appeared to my view,  
More fresh and *lovely* than the rest,  
That in the meadows grew. Denham.  
The Christian religion gives us a more *lovely* character of  
God than any religion ever did. Tillotson's Sermons.  
The fair  
With cleanly powder dry their hair;  
And round their *lovely* breast and head  
Fresh flow'rs their mingl'd odours shed.  
LOVEMONGER. *n. f.* [*love* and *monger*.] One who deals in af-  
fairs of love.  
Thou art an old *lovmonger*, and speakest skilfully. Shak.  
LOVER. *n. f.* [*from love*.]  
1. One who is in love.

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Love is blind, and *lovers* cannot see  
The pretty follies that themselves commit. Shaksp. As You Like It.  
Let it be never said, that he whole breast  
Is fill'd with love, should break a *lover's* rest. Dryden.  
2. A friend; one who regards with kindness.  
Your brother and his *lover* have embrac'd. Shaksp. As You Like It.  
I tell thee, fellow,  
Thy general is my *lover*: I have been  
The book of his good act, whence men have read  
His fame unparallel'd haply amplified. Shaksp. As You Like It.  
3. One who likes any thing.  
To be good and gracious, and a *lover* of knowledge, are  
amiable things. Burnet's Theory of the Earth.  
LO'OVER. *n. f.* [*from l'over*, French, an opening.] An open-  
ing for the smoke to go out at in the roof of a cottage. Spens.  
LO'VESECRET. *n. f.* [*love* and *secret*.] Secret between lovers.  
What danger, Arimant, is this you fear?  
Or what *lovesecret* which I must not hear. Dryden's Aur.  
LO'VESTICK. *adj.* [*love* and *stick*.] Disorder'd with love; lan-  
guishing with amorous desire.  
See, on the floor inhabits purple spring,  
Where nightingales their *lovestick* ditty sing.  
To the dear mistress of my *lovestick* mind,  
Her swain a pretty present has design'd. Dryden's Virg.  
Of the reliefs to ease a *lovestick* mind,  
Flavia prescribes despair. Granville.  
LO'VESOME. *adj.* [*from love*.] Lovely. A word not used.  
Nothing new can spring  
Without thy warmth, without thy influence bear,  
Or beautiful or *lovesome* can appear. Dryden's Lucrinius.  
LO'VESONG. *n. f.* [*love* and *song*.] Song expressing love.  
Poor Romeo is already dead!  
Stabb'd with a white wench's black eye,  
Run through the ear with a *lovesong*. Shaksp. As You Like It.  
Where seeds of better arts were early sown.  
LO'VESUIT. *n. f.* [*love* and *suit*.] Courtship.  
His *lovesuit* hath been to me  
As fearful as a siege. Shaksp. Cymbeline.  
LO'VE-TALE. *n. f.* [*love* and *tale*.] Narrative of love.  
The *lovetale*  
Infected Sion's daughters with like heat;  
Whose wanton passions in the sacred porch  
Ezekiel saw. Milton's Paradise Lost, b. i.  
Cato's a proper person to entreat  
A *lovetale* with. Addison's Cato.  
LO'VE-THOUGHT. *n. f.* [*love* and *thought*.] Amorous fancy.  
Away to sweet beds of flowers,  
Love-thoughts lie rich when canopied with bowers. Shaksp. As You Like It.  
LO'VE-TOKEN. *n. f.* [*love* and *token*.] Small presents given by lovers.  
Has this amorous gentleman presented himself with any  
*lovetoken*, such as gold snuff-boxes. Arbuth. and Pope's Ma. St.  
LO'VE-TRICK. *n. f.* [*love* and *trick*.] Art of expressing love.  
Other disports than dancing jollities;  
Other *lovetricks* than glancing with the eyes. Donne.  
LOUGH. *n. f.* [*lough*, Irish, a lake.] A lake; a large inland  
standing water.  
A people near the northern pole that won,  
Whom Ireland sent from *loughs* and forests here,  
Divided far by sea from Europe's shore. Fairfax.  
Lough Neis never freezes. Phil. Trans.  
LO'VING. *participial adj.* [*from love*.]  
1. Kind; affectionate.  
So *loving* to my mother,  
That he permitted not the winds of heav'n  
To visit her face too roughly. Shaksp. Hamlet.  
This earl was of great courage, and for this cause much  
loved of his soldiers, to whom he was no less *loving* again. Heyward.  
2. Expressing kindness.  
The king took her in his arms till she came to herself,  
and comforted her with *loving* words. Esth. xv. 8.  
LO'VINGKINDNESS. Tenderness; favour; mercy. A scrip-  
tural word.  
Remember, O Lord, thy tender mercies, and thy *loving*  
kindnesses. Psal. cxv. 6.  
He has adapted the arguments of obedience to the imper-  
fection of our understanding, requiring us to consider him  
only under the amiable attributes of goodness and *loving*  
kindness, and to adore him as our friend and patron. Rogers.  
LO'VINGLY. *adv.* [*from loving*.] Affectionately; with kind-  
ness.  
The new king, having no less *lovingly* performed all du-  
ties to him dead than alive, pursued on the siege of his an-  
cestral brother, as much for the revenge of his father, as  
for the establishing of his own quiet. Sidney, b. ii.  
It is no great matter to live *lovingly* with good-natured and  
meek persons; but he that can do so with the forward and  
perverse, he only hath true charity. Taylor.  
LO'VINGNESS. *n. f.* [*from loving*.] Kindness; affection.  
Carrying

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Carrying thus in one person the only two bands of good-  
will, *loveliness* and *lovingness*. Sidney, b. i.  
LOUIS D'OR. *n. f.* [French.] A golden coin of France, va-  
lued at about seventeen shillings.  
If he is desired to change a *louis d'or*, he must consider of  
it.  
To LOUNGE. *v. n.* [*luneren*, Dutch.] To idle; to live  
lazily.  
LO'UNGER. *n. f.* [*from lounge*.] An idler.  
LOUNGE. *n. f.* [*longuris*, Latin.] A tall gangrel. Ainsl.  
LOUSE. *n. f.* plural lice. [lur, Saxon; luis, Dutch.] A small  
animal, of which different species live on the bodies of men,  
beasts, and perhaps of all living creatures.  
There were lice upon man and beast. Exod. viii. 18.  
Frogs, lice, and flies, mult all his palace fill  
With loath'd intrusion. Milton.  
It is beyond even an atheist's credulity and impudence to  
affirm, that the first men might proceed out of the tumours  
of leaves of trees, as maggots and flies are supposed to do  
now, or might grow upon trees; or perhaps might be the  
lice of some prodigious animals, whose species is now extinct.  
Bentley's Sermons.  
Not that I value the money the fourth part of the kip of  
a louse.  
To LOUSE. *v. a.* [*from the noun*.] To clean from lice.  
As for all other good women, that love to do but little  
work, how handsome it is to *louse* themselves in the sun-  
shine, that they have been but a while in Ireland can well  
witness. Spenser on Ireland.  
You fat and *lous'd* him all the sun-shine day. Swift.  
LOUSEWORT. *n. f.* The name of a plant; called also *rattle*  
and *cock's-comb*.  
There are four different kinds of this plant, which grow  
wild, and in some low meadows are very troublesome; espe-  
cially one sort with yellow flowers, which rises to be a foot  
high or more, and is often in such plenty as to be the most  
predominant plant; but it is very bad food for cattle. Miller.  
LOUSILY. *adv.* [*from louse*.] In a paltry, mean, and scurvy way.  
LO'USINESS. *n. f.* [*from lousy*.] The state of abounding with  
lice.  
LO'USY. *adj.* [*from lousy*.]  
1. Swarming with lice; over-run with lice.  
Let him be daub'd with louse, live high and whore,  
Sometimes be *lousy*, but be never poor. Dryden's Two.  
Sweetbriar and gooseberry are only *lousy* in dry times, or  
very hot places. Mortimer's Husbandry.  
2. Mean; low born; bred on the dunghill.  
I pray you now remembrance on the *lousy* knave mine host.  
A *lousy* knave, to have his gibes and his mockeries. Shaksp. As You Like It.  
LOUT. *n. f.* [*loete*, old Dutch. Mr. Lye.] A mean awkward  
fellow; a bumpkin; a clown.  
Pamela, whose noble heart doth disdain, that the trust of  
her virtue is reposed in such a *lout's* hands, had yet, to shew  
an obedience, taken on her shepherd's apparel. Sidney.  
This *lout*, as he exceeds our lords, the odds  
Is, that we scarce are men, and you are gods. Shaksp. As You Like It.  
I have need of such a youth,  
That can with some discretion do my business;  
For 'tis no trusting to yon foolish *lout*. Shaksp. As You Like It.  
Thus wail'd the *lout* in melancholy strain. Gay's Past.  
To LOU'ER. *v. n.* [*lurari*, to bend, Saxon.] To pay obedience;  
to bend; to bow; to stoop. Obsolete. It was used in a  
good sense. In Scotland they say, a fellow with *loutan* or  
*loutan* shoulders; that is, one who bends forwards; his  
shoulders or back.  
He fair the knight saluted, *louing* low,  
Who fair him quitted, as that courteous was. Fa. Qu.  
Under the hand-bag he was seen,  
*Louing* low, like a forlorn green. Ben. Johnson's Underw.  
The palmer, grey with age, with count'nance *louing* low,  
His head ev'n to the earth before the king did bow. Drayton.  
To LOU'ER. *v. a.* This word seems in Shaksp. to signify,  
to overpower.  
I am *loued* by a traitor villain,  
And cannot help the noble chevalier. Shaksp. Henry VI.  
LO'UTISH. *adj.* [*from lout*.] Clownish; bumpkinly.  
This *loutish* clown is such, that you never saw so ill-fa-  
voured a vif; his behaviour such, that he is beyond the de-  
gree of ridiculous. Sidney.  
LO'UTISHLY. *adv.* [*from lout*.] With the air of a clown;  
with the gait of a bumpkin.  
Low. *adj.*  
1. Not high.  
2. Not rising far upwards.  
It became a spreading vine of *low* stature. Ezek. xvii. 6.  
3. Not elevated in situation.  
O mighty Caesar! do'st thou lye so *low*?  
Are all thy conquests, glories, triumphs, spoils,  
Shrunk to this little measure? Shaksp. Julius Caesar.  
Whatever is washed away from them is carried down  
into the *lower* grounds, and into the sea, and nothing is  
brought back. Burnet's Theory of the Earth.

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4. Descending far downwards; deep.  
5. Not deep; not swelling high; shallow: used of water.  
As two men were walking by the sea-side at *low* water,  
they saw an oyster, and they both pointed at it together. L'Estrange.  
It is *low* ebb sure with his accuser, when such peccadillo's  
are put in to swell the charge. Atterbury.  
6. Not of high price: as, corn is *low*.  
7. Not loud; not noisy.  
As when in open air we blow,  
The breath, though strain'd, sounds flat and *low*:  
But if a trumpet take the blast,  
It lifts it high, and makes it last. Waller.  
The theatre is so well contrived, that, from the very deep  
of the stage, the *lowest* found may be heard distinctly to the  
farthest part of the audience; and yet, if you raise your voice  
as high as you please, there is nothing like an echo to cause  
confusion. Addison on Italy.  
8. In latitudes near to the line.  
They take their course either high to the north, or *low* to  
the south. Abbot's Descript. of the World.  
9. Not rising to so great a sum as some other accumulation of  
particulars.  
Who can imagine, that in sixteen or seventeen hundred  
years time, taking the *lower* chronology, that the earth had  
then flood, mankind should be propagated no farther than  
Judaea. Burnet's Theory of the Earth.  
10. Late in time: as, the *lower* empire.  
11. Dejected; depressed.  
To be *low*,  
The *lowest*, most dejected, thing of fortune,  
Stands still in expectation. Shaksp. As You Like It.  
His spirits are so *low* his voice is drown'd,  
He hears as from afar, or in a swoon,  
Like the deaf murmur of a distant found. Dryden.  
Though he before had gall and rage,  
Which death or conquest must allway;  
He grows dispirited and *low*,  
He hates the fight, and thuns the foe. Prior.  
12. Impotent; subdued.  
To keep them all quiet, he must keep them in greater  
awe and less splendour; which power he will use to keep them  
as *low* as he pleases, and at no more cost than makes for his  
own pleasure. Granville's Bills of Mortality.  
13. Not elevated in rank or station; abject.  
He woos both high and *low*, both rich and poor. Shaksp. As You Like It.  
Try in men of *low* and mean education, who have never  
elevated their thoughts above the spade. Locke.  
14. Dishonourable; betokening meanness of mind: as, *low*  
tricks.  
15. Not sublime; not exalted in thought or diction.  
He has not so many thoughts that are *low* and vulgar, but,  
at the same time, has not so many thoughts that are sublime  
and noble. Addison's Spectator, No. 279.  
In comparison of these divine writers, the noblest wits of  
the heathen world are *low* and dull. Felton on the Classics.  
16. Reduced; in poor circumstances; as, I am *low* in the world.  
Low. *adv.*  
1. Not aloft; not at a high price; meanly: it is chiefly used  
in composition.  
Proud of their numbers and secure in soul,  
The confident and over-lustful French:  
Do the *low-rated* English play at dice? Shaksp. Hen. V.  
This is the prettiest *low-born* lass, that ever  
Ran the greenford; nothing she does or seems,  
But smacks of something greater than herself,  
Too noble for this place. Shaksp. As You Like It.  
There under Ebon shades and *low-brow'd* rocks,  
As ragged as thy locks,  
In dark Cimmerian desert ever dwell. Milton.  
My eyes no object met  
But *low-hung* clouds, that dipt themselves in rain,  
To shake their fleeces on the earth again. Dryden.  
No luxury found room  
In *low-roof* houses, and bare walls of lome. Dryden.  
Vast yellow offsprings are the German's pride;  
But hotter climates narrower frames obtain,  
And *low-built* bodies are the growth of Spain. Creech.  
Whenever I am turned out, my lodge descends upon a  
*low-spirited* creeping family. Swift.  
We wand'ring go through dreary wastes,  
Where round some mould'ring tow'r pale ivy creeps,  
And *low-brow'd* rocks hang nodding o'er the deeps. Pope.  
Corruption, like a general flood,  
Shall deluge all; and as rice creeping on,  
Spread like a *low-born* mist, and blot the sun. Pope.  
2. In times near our own.  
In that part of the world which was first inhabited, even  
as *low* down as Abraham's time, they wandered with their  
flocks and herds. Locke.  
3. With a depression of the voice.  
Lucia, speak *low*, he is retir'd to rest. Addison's Cato.  
4. In